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## PACIFIC CLUB HAS TO PAY

Subject to License for Sale of Liquor to Members.

Until a decision can be had upon the matter from the Supreme Court of the Territory, the Pacific Club must pay the regular liquor license issued to saloons. That, in effect, is the gist of the opinion given by the Attorney General to the Governor on Wednesday afternoon.

"I am not just sure what course will be taken by the club," said Governor Carter yesterday. "Of course the law must be enforced, and the High Sheriff will demand the payment of the license."

After that, it will be up to the Pacific Club to act. It may be that the club will permit the arrest of one of its members and thus carry the case to the highest court. It may be that the club will pay the license, and say nothing more about it—although that is hardly likely to be the course taken. Lastly, it may be that an arrangement will be made by which the matter can be carried directly to the Supreme Court on an agreed statement of the facts. And this is much more likely to be done.

There is a line of decisions both for and against the payment of license by clubs selling liquor, according to the decision of the Attorney General, so that each State and Territory seems to be a law unto itself in the matter. It will be for the Supreme Court, therefore, to rule which line shall be followed. The opinion of the Attorney General follows:

Honorable George R. Carter, Governor of the Territory of Hawaii.

Dear Sir: In answer to your request of November 19, 1904, for an opinion as to whether under our Liquor Laws the Pacific Club can sell liquor to its members without obtaining a license therefor, I would reply as follows:

Section 444 of the Penal Laws provides that any person other than the agent or servant of a person thereto licensed, who shall sell or dispose of any spirituous liquor within the Territory or shall cause or authorize therein any spirituous liquor to be sold or disposed of by any person employed, hired, or engaged for such purpose without being therein authorized by license, as in this Act provided, shall be punished by fine and imprisonment as set forth in the statute. There is no question that under this definition a club is a person.

The Pacific Club is a bona fide organization, incorporated for "the purpose of promoting friendship and mutual exchange of opinions among its members and providing a place for the reception of strangers, travelers and residents of the Territory."

It is admitted that the purpose of the club is not to sell liquor for gain to its members or to others; it is also admitted that it does, as a club, buy spirituous liquor and sell the same to its members without having obtained any of the licenses required by the laws of the Territory, necessary to allow the sale of intoxicating and spirituous liquor.

The question contained in your request for an opinion resolves itself into whether under our laws a bona fide club can sell liquor to its members without obtaining a license therefor. This question has received the attention of the courts of almost all the States and Territories, but a hopeless conflict of opinion has been the result of the various decisions.

The following courts have held that no license was necessary: Montana, Massachusetts, Tennessee, Missouri, Texas, Pennsylvania, New York and South Carolina; while Alabama, Michigan, Maryland, New Jersey, Kentucky, North Carolina, Illinois and Louisiana have held to the contrary.

In view of this conflict of opinion, I do not believe that it would be proper for the Government to allow the practice which has so long obtained, in permitting this club and others to continue to sell spirituous liquor, without a decision from the Supreme Court as to what view the Territory of Hawaii will take of this important question.

Our statute is clear and unmistakable in its terms; the language is imperative, and to quote from the case of North Carolina vs. Neils:

"The fact specially found that the membership of the club is composed of gentlemen of the highest social standing does not throw any light upon the transaction, except that it may be reasonably supposed that they have no desire to evade the law, and by this proceeding wish merely to procure a construction as to the legal nature of this transaction. No set of men have any special privileges under our Constitution, and the parties interested must pay a license tax if other citizens pay it, and be prohibited altogether when others are prohibited. Nor can it make any difference that no profit was intended to be realized, but that as near as possible the drinks are to be furnished at cost. Profit is not a necessary ingredient of a sale. Indeed, many sales are made at a loss."

The Government of the Territory must uphold the laws upon the statute books, and in order to protect its licensed saloon keepers, as well as to enforce the laws fairly and impartially, I believe that the Pacific Club should be prohibited from selling liquor without obtaining a license therefor, until a decision can be had upon the matter from the Supreme Court of the Territory.

## THE LATE MRS. ISABELLA BIRD BISHOP. AUTHOR OF STANDARD WORKS ON HAWAII AND JAPAN.

It is curious to reflect how often what seems to be the handicap of fortune really provides both the incentive and the opportunity for signal achievements. If Mrs. Isabella Bishop, who died this week at the ripe age of seventy-two, had not in her early youth been a confirmed invalid, she might never have taken those long voyages to America, Hawaii, and elsewhere which first inspired in her the love of travel and led her to attempt those notable explorations which have in a measure earned for her the title of a pioneer. For more than twenty years, despite such an infirmity as spinal disease, she was an indefatigable traveler in more or less unknown lands, and she had the distinction of being the first European woman to penetrate into the interior of Japan. Her book *Unbeaten Tracks in Japan* is perhaps the most widely known of her many works, which include records of her travel in Persia, Korea, Siberia and China. As late as 1901, when Mrs. Bishop was in her seventieth year, she rode 1,000 miles in Morocco—a feat that would have tried most globe-trotters even of half her age and of the stronger sex. And, perhaps, this indomitable lady's greatest service is of a social rather than a geographical character, for her career has helped to remove one more limitation from womanhood. Mrs. Bishop, like the late Miss Kingsley, found her sex no bar to lonely and adventurous journeys in strange lands. Only on two occasions did she feel the need of escort, and the hostility which she then met with was directed against her as a stranger, and not as a woman. On the other hand, she had opportunities of usefulness which would have been denied to men, and her readiness to avail herself of them is testified to by the five hospitals and the orphanage which she was the means of establishing in the East.

Very respectfully,  
(Signed) LORRIN ANDREWS,  
Attorney General.

## GRAFT IN BUSINESS.

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There, there are other people who may, possibly, be approached successfully. The purchasing agent in a big establishment must be largely guided as to what he buys by the recommendations of the heads of the various departments in the business. As a rule these heads of department do not get large salaries. They are, therefore, more open to temptation than the better-paid purchasing agent.

Here is a chapter from the experience of a purchasing agent in Cincinnati, who was shrewd as well as honest. The corporation which employed him owned and used about two hundred horses. The item of harness polish used in the stables was worth considering. For a year a brand of polish which may be called the "Starlight" had been used, and the foreman of the harness-room reported that it was entirely satisfactory. But a rival firm offered its polish at a price twenty-five per cent. lower than that paid for the "Starlight" and guaranteed its quality to be at least equal. The purchasing agent sent sample cans to the foreman of the harness-room and asked for a report. He reported that the new polish was no good; it took more of the new stuff to do the work, and the results were not satisfactory even then.

Then, with the connivance of the new bidders for the polish contract, the purchasing agent set a trap for the foreman of the harness-room. He got a dozen cans of the "Starlight" polish and, without disfiguring them in any way, removed their contents and filled them with the new polish.

"Sorry the new polish was no good," wrote the purchasing agent, in sending this deceptive consignment to the barn. "Here's some more of the good old stuff. Send me a report on this in writing, too. I want to file it."

In a week the foreman sent in his report. He lauded to the skies the polish in those "Starlight" cans. It was just as he had always said. This was the best brand on the market. Thereupon the purchasing agent sent for the foreman of the harness-room and brutally told him the facts.

"I'm going to buy the new polish hereafter," he said, "and you are going to use it without kicking. If you don't get good results with it I'll have to tell the old man the fault is not with the polish but with the foreman."

There were no more complaints from the harness-room. That is one example—out of a possible thousand—of how far down the scale graft in business may go; and that by no means the bottom. Follows an instance at the other end of the business ladder which shows how far toward the top what some people would call graft may extend.

It is a criminal offense, as certain Washington officials have recently found out, for a Government officer to be financially interested in a corporation which sells its product to the Government. Especially is it a grave offense if the official interested is in a position to influence the purchase of the goods. But it seems to be no offense at all for a railroad official to be a large stockholder in a corporation which sells its goods to the railroad company with which he is connected—

nor for him to use his official position to influence the sale of such goods.

Two corporations, manufacturing important devices which are used for the same purpose on railroad trains, were fighting to secure a big contract with a Western railroad system. The older company already had its device in use on the road; the other offered certain concessions with the idea of capturing the business. The claims of the older bidder were strongly supported and those of the other as strongly opposed by one of the vice-presidents of the road, a practical railroad man of the highest standing. The fight became so bitter that finally one of the great New York railroad kings, who practically controls the road in question, got interested in it. One day he called the vice-president into his office.

"I want to know," he said bluntly, "why you are fighting this company so hard?"

"Because I'm a stockholder in the other company," was the equally blunt answer. "If I didn't think its device was the best I shouldn't have invested my money in it."

The vice-president is still in office and the old device is still in use on the road which he manages. Between the man who polishes the harness and the vice-president of a great railroad system there is plenty of room for business graft in multifarious gradations.

There is social graft—for business purposes; there is backdoor graft—which pays commission to the servants on household supplies; there is the graft of high finance, which organizes a railroad company with one hand and a construction company with the other—using the latter to make a personal profit out of the stockholders of the former; there is political-business graft—with a hundred curious twists to its tail; there is the utterly heartless graft—which plays upon the dearest and deepest of human emotions; there is graft in plenty without growing a bit hysterical on the subject.

The great mass of honest and honorable business men are vitally interested in driving the grafters out of the business field. In some lines they have adopted certain practical measures which have already largely done away with the evil. But there remains still a disgracefully large amount of graft. It is possible that some serious reflection on the narrow line which separates "legitimate" from "illegitimate" graft in business might be helpful. Human nature is weak. It is hard to walk a crack. And it should never be possible truthfully to charge that the business man when he changes to his office coat changes at the same time to another standard of honor than that which guides him in the other relations of life.

He was ten years old and when he slipped out of the house at daylight he left a note for his mother saying he was going West to fight Indians. A discouraging combination of circumstances, in which hunger, weariness, and fear all played a part, made him think better of it, and he returned to the parental roof at 9:30 p. m. He was not received with open arms. Indeed, the family met him with coldness. The clock ticked, his father's newspaper rattled, his big sister studied obtrusively, even his mother didn't seem to care whether he came back or not. Nicodemus, the cat, not being in the secret, rose and rubbed his soft side caressingly against the culprit's leg. He stooped to pet him, and then, with a last desperate attempt to start the ball of conversation, he demanded, homesickly: "Is this the same old cat you had when I went away?"

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